Suddaby slams three in an attacking role

Maidenhead United 0, Wycombe Wanderers 3

A GLORIOUS HAT-TRICK by Peter Suddaby for Wycombe gave Maidenhead United no chance of holding Wanderers when they visited York Road in the Premier Floodlight League on Monday evening.

The three away points strengthened Wycombe's claim for the Section 'A' title.

It was a much-needed win for Wycombe, for it proved that their shock defeat by Maidenhead in the Berks and Bucks semi-final, was all-wrong.

Following their defeat on Monday, the Magpies are now at the bottom of the Flood-light League and will have to apply for re-election to the League next season.

HIT CROSSBAR

In the opening minutes, Maidenhead winger Dave Woolley hit the bar and O'Brien had a lucky scramble to catch the ball.

However, after this, Maidenhead never looked like matching the superb passing of the Wycombe side.

Wycombe's first goal came in the 14th minute after home skipper Brian Pitts, misjudged a back pass to give away a corner.

The corner was taken by Hutchinson who flicked the ball to find Suddaby, who connected with his head to put the ball in the far corner of the net.

The Wycombe forwards found little trouble in breeching the home defence and, on merit, should have been at least three goals up by the time the referee's whistle blew for half-time.

SPASMODIC

After the interval Maidenhead made a few spasmodic attacks but these were adequately dealt with by the visiting defence.

Wycombe went further ahead when Suddaby met the ball in mid-field to pound through for a last minute shot that the plucky little reserve 'keeper Buckland tried hard to stop, but failed.

From this point onwards it was all Wycombe. Their superb attacking, spearheaded by the relentless efforts of Suddaby, kept Maidenhead at bay for the rest of the second half.

In the 71st minute, Wycombe were awarded a corner which was taken by Blunt who sent the ball over to find Suddaby's head to put the ball past two defenders, into the net.

For the remaining minutes the home side pumped everything into attack but their inability to pass accurately coupled with their bad marking frustrated their efforts.

Wycombe Wanderers: O'Brien; Gale, Thomas; Stephenson, Rundle, Lailey; Blunt, Suddaby, Searle, Faulkner, Hutchinson.

Maidenhead: Buckland; Runicles, Richardson; Hartridge, Pitts, McPhee; Clements, Shiels, Chatterton, Howarth, Woolley.